

to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Mr. Speaker, we voted on cap-and-trade, or cap-and-tax, here in this House; and a lot of people are wondering what the American people think about it, what does the rest of the country think about it, and what does the world think about it. Well, the votes are in from the elitists. We've just heard from Great Britain's Prince Charles who tells us unless the rest of the world follows us, we only have 96 months until basically the end of this planet. He says, We ought to stop this idea of consumerism, and we've got to stop the little people from being able to advance themselves. Oh, only the elites. Then there is Vice President Gore; and he, appearing across the pond, said, The passage of cap-and-trade is the best step towards global governance that we've ever seen.

So you may wonder what the people in Detroit think. You may wonder what the people out of work in my district think. But we know what the elites think, Thank God for cap-and-trade so we can keep the little people where they belong. They don't deserve any advancement in the economy. But let the princes of the world continue lecturing the rest of us.

HOLD CONGRESS ACCOUNTABLE FOR HEALTH CARE VOTES

(Mr. FLEMING asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. FLEMING. Mr. Speaker, last week I offered House Resolution 615 which, paraphrased, says, Members of Congress who vote for a government-run health care option agree to opt out of the current congressional exchange of private insurance choices and accept the same government-run program for themselves. The people are tired of this body making laws and crafting programs without having to face the consequences of the votes cast for them. So I challenge Members to cosponsor my resolution and publicly pledge that they will use the same government-run plan they vote for to care for themselves and their families. If it is good enough for American families, it should be good enough for families of Members of Congress. Furthermore, I challenge the American people to hold their Representatives responsible for their actions in this regard by urging their Representatives to support this resolution. The American people deserve health care that is affordable but does not allow the government to interfere with the sacred doctor-patient relationship.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend—

Mr. BROUN of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has not recognized for that motion. There is no question before the House at this time.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. BROUN of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman may state his inquiry.

Mr. BROUN of Georgia. When I stood up, the Speaker, if I'm not mistaken, recognized me. Is that not correct?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. That is not correct.

Mr. BROUN of Georgia. When I said, "Mr. Speaker," you said, "The gentleman from Georgia," and then I made my motion. You didn't ask why I was standing. You just recognized me, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The announcement that the gentleman from Georgia seeks recognition to offer a motion to adjourn does not render such a motion pending. Until the Chair has actually conferred recognition for the motion it cannot become the pending question.

As stated by the Chair under similar circumstances on October 28, 1997, when no question is pending, the Chair may declare a recess pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. There being no question pending at this point, pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 20 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. CAPPS) at 6 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.

RESIGNATION AS LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL AND APPOINTMENT AS LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation as Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL,
Washington, DC, July 6, 2009.
Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: I hereby submit my resignation as Legislative Counsel of the United States House of Representatives, effective at the close of business July 13, 2009. It has been a great honor and privilege to serve as Legislative Counsel.

Sincerely,

M. POPE BARROW.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. With great regret the Speaker accepts the resignation of the distinguished Legislative Counsel, M. Pope Barrow, Jr., effective July 13, 2009.

Pursuant to section 521 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 (2 U.S.C. 282), the Speaker appoints Sandra L. Strokoff as legislative counsel of the United States House of Representatives to succeed M. Pope Barrow, Jr., resigned.

EXPRESSING THE GRATITUDE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA- TIVES FOR THE SERVICE OF M. POPE BARROW, JR.

Mr. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I send to the desk a resolution and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration in the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 635

Whereas M. Pope Barrow, Jr., was appointed to the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House of Representatives in 1968;

Whereas M. Pope Barrow, Jr., has provided 40 years of service to the House as a member of the Office of the Legislative Counsel under eight successive Speakers;

Whereas M. Pope Barrow, Jr., has served as the Legislative Counsel for 12 years, following his service as the Deputy Legislative Counsel for 4 years;

Whereas M. Pope Barrow, Jr., has been the principal drafter over the past 30 years of Federal laws that protect the environment, preserve public lands and waterways, and promote the production and efficient use of energy resources;

Whereas M. Pope Barrow, Jr., has provided exemplary leadership in undertaking significant programs to modernize the operations of the Office of the Legislative Counsel and the House; and

Whereas M. Pope Barrow, Jr., has provided steady guidance in continuing the professional, nonpartisan service to which the Office of the Legislative Counsel is dedicated: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives expresses its gratitude to—

(1) M. Pope Barrow, Jr., for his 40 years of service to the House; and

(2) the Office of the Legislative Counsel for its more than 90 years of assistance in the drafting of legislation considered by the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Michigan is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I yield 30 minutes for purposes of debate only to my good friend, the distinguished gentleman from California (Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN).

Madam Speaker, I yield to myself 4 minutes.

Madam Speaker, this a great institution in which we all take great pride in serving. And it is that because of the great Constitution, but also because of the Members who have served here over so many years. And we can be proud of